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Subject: Update on Upcoming Protests

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Here is some additional information about the two planned protests at City Hall early next week.

1. Protest associated with Development Permit Board Hearing – 570 Columbia St (Beedie Living)

Date/Time: Monday, October 20, 2025 @ 1500 hrs

Location: Council Chamber, City Hall

Expected Attendance: 100+ primarily registered speakers and interested residents

The hearing will consider design revisions to the approved 570 Columbia St project. Protestors previously demonstrated and disrupted an October 1 open house and have indicated their intent to attend City Hall during the DPB hearing. The organizer has stated that "On October 20 from 14:15 to 14:45 at City Hall, Vancouver Tenants Union is hosting a press conference and rally against a design proposal for 570 Columbia Street by Beedie Living", and that "we're flooding City Hall with community voices demanding homes for people, not condos for profit."

To ensure safety and operational continuity, CPS will implement security screening for access to the 3rd Floor from 12:00 until the end of the meeting.

- Access to the Council Chamber will be limited to registered speakers.
- Public viewing will be available in Town Hall, Room 114, and via livestream.
- CPS and DBL are coordinating with VPD EOPS, who are monitoring for any escalation indicators.
- City Hall operations will remain open; however, additional CPS officers will be on-site to support crowd management and screening. Managed access to the facility will be implemented if there are any indicators that the risk profile is increasing.

2. Community Rally – Carleton & Fleming Elementary Concerns

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 21, 2025 @ 1100 – 1200 hrs

Location: City Hall South Plaza

Expected Attendance: Approximately 100 participants

Community members have organized the rally in response to the subdivision of Carleton Elementary and the rezoning at Fleming Elementary. Participants plan to deliver symbolic items—hearts, petitions, a report card, and a 100-year-old school bell—to City Hall and have requested that a representative or elected official receive them. We are coordinating that request with City Clerks.

VPD are in contact with the organizers and does not have any concerns currently. CPS will continue to assess as the date approaches; however, dedicated policing resources are not anticipated to be required.

Due to the low-risk profile of this event, City Hall will operate under standard public access controls. The South Entrance will remain open for staff and visitors, and CPS will maintain a visible presence on the grounds and at key access points.

CPS contacts during these events

- Incident Command: Steve Tseng, Security Programs Manager – City Hall – 604-345-5639
- Deputy Incident Command: Tom Gornall, Security Programs Manager – 604-354-0142

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
Donny

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